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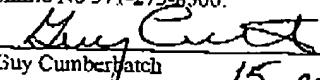
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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

5 In re Application of: Callas, et al.) Group Art Unit: 373.1
 Application No.: 10/705,652)
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 10 Filing Date: November 10, 2003) Examiner: Michael G. Mendoza
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 For: ENDOSCOPIC SURGICAL ACCESS PORT)
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 15 Commissioner for Patents
 P.O. Box 1450
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AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL

Dear Sir:

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Transmitted herewith is an Amendment in thirteen (13) pages responsive to the FINAL Office Action dated November 2, 2005 in the above-identified application. Also attached are:

25 (X) Please charge the fees indicated below to the credit card on the attached 1 page authorization form;

	Claims Remaining <u>After Amendment</u>	<u>Minus</u>	(Col. 1) Highest Prev. <u>Paid For</u>	(Col. 2) Present <u>Extra</u>	(Col. 3) Rate	Fee
30	Total Claims	46	-	36	= 10 x 50 =	\$ 500
	Indep Claims	7	-	6	= 1 x 200 =	\$ 200
				TOTAL DUE	= \$ 700	

Respectfully submitted,



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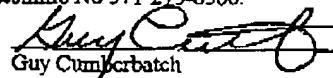
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25 Dear Sir:

Responsive to the FINAL Office Action dated November 2, 2005, please make the changes and note the remarks below:

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2 of this paper.

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Remarks begin on page 13 of this paper.

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